

# Memorandum



**Date:** March 1, 2005

**To:** Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**From:** George W. Burgess  
County Manager

Agenda Item No. 7(J)(1)(E)

**Subject:** Execution of a Joint Participation Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation to Provide State Funding from its Commuter Assistance Program for the Operation of the Dade-Monroe Express

## **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board authorize the execution of a Joint Participation Agreement, in substantially the form attached, with the Florida Department of Transportation to provide \$100,000 in State funds from its Commuter Assistance Program for the continuing operation of the Dade-Monroe Express transit service. It is further recommended that the Board authorize the receipt and expenditure of funds as specified in this agreement. An equal match of \$100,000 will be provided through the South Florida Employment and Training Consortium (which provides a subsidy to this route as described below) and the Miami-Dade Transit operating budget.

## **BACKGROUND**

South Florida Commuter Services was founded in 1988 to serve as a public information office during the I-95 expansion project, promoting alternatives to driving along I-95 during the construction period. Commuter Services has evolved into South Florida's one-stop shop for commuter information through the Florida Department of Transportation's Commuter Assistance Program. The program is dedicated to improving South Florida's traffic conditions by promoting alternatives to driving.

The Commuter Assistance Program, like South Florida Commuter Services, has had a major impact on the environment, commuter cost savings, and congestion relief in the United States. The first program, then called Commuter Computer, was initiated in Los Angeles, California in 1976. The Commuter Assistance Program opted to solve transportation related problems by using existing infrastructure more efficiently by recognizing and capitalizing on three key trends: transportation systems; the global economy; quality of life and the environment.

For this Joint Participation Agreement, the State of Florida's Commuter Assistance Program funding will support the continuing operation of the Dade-Monroe Express transit service seven days per week between Florida City and Marathon along US 1 in support of the Welfare to Work Program. The route enjoys approximately 17,000 boardings per month and provides cost-effective commuter transit service to Miami-Dade County residents in South Dade with employment locations in the northern and middle Florida Keys. Projects funded with the Commuter Assistance Program monies are limited to two years or less in duration. If

successful, the program must be continued using local revenues when the program period is concluded.

Since June, 2000, the Dade-Monroe Express transit service has served as an alternative transportation mode to Miami-Dade County residents working in Monroe, thereby reducing single occupant vehicle use and increasing travel options for economically disadvantaged residents lacking automobiles. The service was extended from Key Largo (Mile Marker 98) to Marathon (Mile Marker 50) in April, 2002.


The Dade-Monroe Express and its extension is operated by a private transportation provider, JGT Transportation, under a contract with the County. The schedules and routes are prepared by MDT; JGT provides vehicles, operators, supervision and maintenance. The route operates seven days a week between 5:40 AM and 1:00 AM. Fifteen southbound trips operate from the Super Wal-Mart in Florida City to Mile Marker 98 in Key Largo. Ten of these trips serve Tavernier; seven trips also serve Islamorada; and six trips provide service all the way to Marathon.

The route serves John Pennecamp Coral Reel State Park on Key Largo, and all hotels, restaurants, and other businesses in the Florida Keys from Key Largo to Marathon. In Florida City, the route serves the Super Wal-Mart and the City Hall area, where connections can be made to and from other Metrobus routes. Those other Metrobus routes provide service to points further north, including Cutler Ridge, the South Miami-Dade Government Center and Metrorail.

The South Florida Employment and Training Consortium has been providing a portion of the funding for the Dade-Monroe Express with a differing level of funding each year. The project was also previously supported by another Joint Participation Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation through the Work and Gain Economic Self-Sufficiency Program, but the funding eligibility under that Agreement expired and has been closed.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The local match of \$100,000 for this Joint Participation Agreement is budgeted within the Miami-Dade Transit budget and will be provided through a combination of the South Florida Employment and Training Consortium funds and Miami-Dade Transit operating funds. No transit surtax funds will be utilized in connection with this Agreement.


  
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Assistant County Manager



# MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez      DATE: March 1, 2005  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

FROM:   
Robert A. Ginsburg  
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 7(J)(1)(E)

Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
- ☐ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- ☐ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- ☐ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- ☐ Budget required
- ☐ Statement of fiscal impact required
- ☐ Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
- ☐ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- ☐ Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
- ☐ No committee review

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor

Agenda Item No. 7(J)(1)(E)

Veto \_\_\_\_\_

03-01-05

Override \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A JOINT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT (JPA) WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) TO PROVIDE STATE FUNDING FROM ITS COMMUTER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CAP) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000 FOR THE OPERATION OF THE DADE-MONROE EXPRESS, AND AUTHORIZING THE RECEIPT AND EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS AS SPECIFIED IN THE JPA

**WHEREAS**, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Florida is authorized to enter into agreements to provide State funding for transportation programs and projects,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA:**

Section 1. That this Board approves the agreement between Miami-Dade County and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), in substantially the form attached hereto and made a part hereof, to provide \$100,000 in State funds from its Commuter Assistance Program (CAP) for the continuing operation of the Dade-Monroe Express transit service.

Section 2. That this Board further authorizes the County Manager or the Miami-Dade Transit (MDT) Director to execute such contracts and agreements as are approved by the County Attorney's Office; to receive and expend funds in accordance with such aforementioned contracts and agreements; and to file and execute any additional agreements, revisions, or

amendments as required to carry out the projects for and on behalf of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

Section 3. That the County staff is authorized to furnish such additional information as the FDO T may require in connection with the application for the improvement.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Joe A. Martinez, Chairman	
Dennis C. Moss, Vice-Chairman	
Bruno A. Barreiro	Dr. Barbara Carey-Shuler
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	Carlos A. Gimenez
Sally A. Heyman	Barbara J. Jordan
Dorrin D. Rolle	Natacha Seijas
Katy Sorenson	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

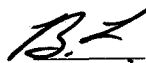
The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2005. This Resolution and contract, if not vetoed, shall become effective in accordance with Resolution No. R-377-04.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
BY ITS BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.



Bruce Libhaber

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STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
**PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION**  
**JOINT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT**

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PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION  
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Financial Project No.: <u>41805118401</u> (item-segment-phase-sequence)	Fund: <u>DDR</u> Function: <u>632</u> Federal No.: <u>N/A</u>	FLAIR Approp.: <u>088774</u> FLAIR Obj.: <u>750007</u> Org. Code: <u>55062020629</u> Vendor No.: <u>F596000573129</u>
Contract No.: <u>ANU28</u>		Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number: <u>N/A</u> Catalog of State Financial Assistance Number: <u>55007</u>

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
by and between the STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, an agency of the State of Florida,  
hereinafter referred to as the Department, and MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT AGENCY  
111 NW FIRST STREET, SUITE 910, MIAMI, FL 33128-1999  
hereinafter referred to as Agency.

W I T N E S S E T H :

WHEREAS, the Agency has the authority to enter into said Agreement and to undertake the project hereinafter described, and the Department has been granted the authority to function adequately in all areas of appropriate jurisdiction including the implementation of an integrated and balanced transportation system and is authorized under 341.041

Florida Statutes, to enter into this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants, promises and representations herein, the parties agree as follows:

**1.00 Purpose of Agreement:** The purpose of this Agreement is to provide Department Commuter Assistance Program funding for the operation of the Dade-Monroe Express transit service seven days per week between Florida City and Marathon along US-1 in support of the Welfare to Work Program. State Participation Rate is 50%. Eligible project expenses include bus operations and vehicle maintenance; also up to 5% of total project cost may be spent on outreach activities and marketing materials to promote the service.

and as further described in Exhibit(s) A,B, & C attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof, hereinafter referred to as the project, and to provide Departmental financial assistance to the Agency and state the terms and conditions upon which such assistance will be provided and the understandings as to the manner in which the project will be undertaken and completed.

## 2.00 Accomplishment of the Project

**2.10 General Requirements:** The Agency shall commence, and complete the project as described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof, with all practical dispatch, in a sound, economical, and efficient manner, and in accordance with the provisions herein, and all applicable laws.

**2.20 Pursuant to Federal, State, and Local Law:** In the event that any election, referendum, approval, permit, notice, or other proceeding or authorization is requisite under applicable law to enable the Agency to enter into this Agreement or to undertake the project hereunder, or to observe, assume or carry out any of the provisions of the Agreement, the Agency will initiate and consummate, as provided by law, all actions necessary with respect to any such matters so requisite.

**2.30 Funds of the Agency:** The Agency shall initiate and prosecute to completion all proceedings necessary including federal aid requirements to enable the Agency to provide the necessary funds for completion of the project.

**2.40 Submission of Proceedings, Contracts and Other Documents:** The Agency shall submit to the Department such data, reports, records, contracts and other documents relating to the project as the Department may require as listed in Exhibit "C" attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

**3.00 Project Cost:** The total estimated cost of the project is \$ 200,000. This amount is based upon the estimate summarized in Exhibit "B" attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof. The Agency agrees to bear all expenses in excess of the total estimated cost of the project and any deficits involved.

**4.00 Department Participation:** The Department agrees to maximum participation, including contingencies, in the project in the amount of \$ 100,000 as detailed in Exhibit "B", or in an amount equal to the percentage(s) of total project cost shown in Exhibit "B", whichever is less.

**4.10 Project Cost Eligibility :** Project costs eligible for State participation will be allowed only from the effective date of this agreement. It is understood that State participation in eligible project costs is subject to:

- (a) Legislative approval of the Department's appropriation request in the work program year that the project is scheduled to be committed;
- (b) Availability of funds as stated in paragraph 17.00 of this Agreement;
- (c) Approval of all plans, specifications, contracts or other obligating documents and all other terms of this Agreement;
- (d) Department approval of the project scope and budget (Exhibits A & B) at the time appropriation authority becomes available.

**4.20 Front End Funding :** Front end funding ☐ is ☒ is not applicable. If applicable, the Department may initially pay 100% of the total allowable incurred project costs up to an amount equal to its total share of participation as shown in paragraph 4.00.

**5.00 Retainage :** Retainage ☐ is ☒ is not applicable. If applicable, N/A percent of the Department's total share of participation as shown in paragraph 4.00 is to be held in retainage to be disbursed, at the Department's discretion, on or before the completion of the final project audit.

## **6.00 Project Budget and Payment Provisions:**

**6.10 The Project Budget:** A project budget shall be prepared by the Agency and approved by the Department. The Agency shall maintain said budget, carry out the project and shall incur obligations against and make disbursements of project funds only in conformity with the latest approved budget for the project. No budget increase or decrease shall be effective unless it complies with fund participation requirements established in paragraph 4.00 of this Agreement and is approved by the Department Comptroller.

**6.20 Payment Provisions:** Unless otherwise allowed under paragraph 4.20, payment will begin in the year the project or project phase is scheduled in the work program as of the date of the agreement. Payment will be made for actual costs incurred as of the date the invoice is submitted with the final payment due upon receipt of a final invoice.

## **7.00 Accounting Records:**

**7.10 Establishment and Maintenance of Accounting Records:** The Agency shall establish for the project, in conformity with requirements established by Department's program guidelines/procedures and "Principles for State and Local Governments", separate accounts to be maintained within its existing accounting system or establish independent accounts. Such accounts are referred to herein collectively as the "project account". Documentation of the project account shall be made available to the Department upon request any time during the period of the Agreement and for three years after final payment is made.

**7.20 Funds Received Or Made Available for The Project:** The Agency shall appropriately record in the project account, and deposit in a bank or trust company which is a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, all payments received by it from the Department pursuant to this Agreement and all other funds provided for, accruing to, or otherwise received on account of the project, which Department payments and other funds are herein collectively referred to as "project funds". The Agency shall require depositories of project funds to secure continuously and fully all project funds in excess of the amounts insured under federal plans, or under State plans which have been approved for the deposit of project funds by the Department, by the deposit or setting aside of collateral of the types and in the manner as prescribed by State Law for the security of public funds, or as approved by the Department.

**7.30 Costs Incurred for the Project:** The Agency shall charge to the project account all eligible costs of the project. Costs in excess of the latest approved budget or attributable to actions which have not received the required approval of the Department shall not be considered eligible costs.

**7.40 Documentation of Project Costs:** All costs charged to the project, including any approved services contributed by the Agency or others, shall be supported by properly executed payrolls, time records, invoices, contracts, or vouchers evidencing in proper detail the nature and propriety of the charges.

**7.50 Checks, Orders, and Vouchers:** Any check or order drawn by the Agency with respect to any item which is or will be chargeable against the project account will be drawn only in accordance with a properly signed voucher then on file in the office of the Agency stating in proper detail the purpose for which such check or order is drawn. All checks, payrolls, invoices, contracts, vouchers, orders, or other accounting documents pertaining in whole or in part to the project shall be clearly identified, readily accessible, and, to the extent feasible, kept separate and apart from all other such documents.

**7.60 Audit Reports:** In addition to the requirements below, the Agency agrees to comply and cooperate with any monitoring procedures/processes deemed appropriate by the Department, including but not limited to site visits and limited scope audits. The Agency further agrees to comply and cooperate with any inspections, reviews, investigations, or audits deemed necessary by the State Comptroller or Auditor General. The Agency shall retain sufficient records demonstrating its compliance with the terms of this Agreement for a period of three years from the date the audit report is issued, and shall allow the Department access to such records and working papers upon request. The following requirements do not limit the authority of the Department to conduct or arrange for the conduct of additional audits or evaluations of state financial assistance or limit the authority of any state agency inspector general, the Auditor General, or any other state official.



**7.61 Federal Audit:** In the event the Agency expends a total of \$300,000 or more in Federal awards in its fiscal year, the Agency must have a single or program-specific audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of OMB Circular A-133. Federal awards are to be identified using the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) title and number, award number and year, and name of the awarding Federal agency. If the Agency expends less than \$300,000, this audit is not required and if the Agency elects to have an audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of OMB Circular A-133, the cost of the audit must be paid from non-Federal funds.

The Agency agrees to allow the Department or an independent auditor of the Department, the State Comptroller, and the Auditor General access to the Agency's records and financial statements as may be necessary for complying with the requirements of 31 U.S.C. 7501 et seq.

Pursuant to OMB Circular A-133, Subpart C, .320(d), the Agency shall provide a copy of the reporting package and any management letters to the Department, or copies of audit reports for audits conducted in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, to the Department and to:

Federal Audit Clearinghouse  
Bureau of the Census  
1201 East 10th Street  
Jeffersonville, IN 47132

**7.62 State Audit:** In the event that the Agency expends a total of \$300,000 or more in State awards in its fiscal year, the Agency must have a State single or project-specific audit for such fiscal year in accordance with Section 215.97, Florida Statutes and the applicable rules of the Executive Office of the Governor, the State Comptroller, and the Auditor General. In determining the State awards expended in its fiscal year, the Agency shall consider all sources of State awards except State awards received for Federal program matching requirements which shall be excluded from consideration. State awards will be identified using the Catalog of State Financial Assistance (CSFA) title and number, award number and year, and name of the awarding State agency. If the Agency expends less than \$300,000, this audit is not required and if the Agency elects to have an audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of Section 215.97, F.S., the cost of the audit must be paid from non-State funds.

The Agency agrees to allow the Department, the State Comptroller, and the Auditor General access to records and independent auditor's working papers, as necessary for complying with the requirements of Section 215.97, F.S.

The Agency shall provide annual financial reporting package of audits prepared in accordance with Section 215.97, F.S., and applicable Rules of the Auditor General to the Department and to:

State of Florida Auditor General  
Room 574, Claude Pepper Building  
111 West Madison Street  
Tallahassee, Florida 32302-1450

**7.63 Other Requirements:** If an audit discloses any significant audit findings relating to any award, including material noncompliance with individual project compliance requirements or reportable conditions in internal controls of the Agency, the Agency shall submit as part of the audit package to the Department a plan for corrective action to eliminate such audit findings or a statement describing the reasons that corrective action is not necessary. The Agency shall take timely and appropriate corrective action to any audit findings, recommendations, and corrective action plans.

**7.70 Insurance:** Execution of this Joint Participation Agreement constitutes a certification that the Agency has and will maintain the ability to repair or replace any project equipment or facilities in the event of loss or damage due to any accident or casualty for the useful life of such equipment or facilities. In the event of the loss of such equipment or facilities, the Agency shall either replace the equipment or facilities or reimburse the Department to the extent of its interest in the lost equipment or facility.

In the event this Agreement is for purchase of land or for the construction of infrastructure such as airport runways the Department may waive or modify this section with an Exhibit "C".

## **8.00 Requisitions and Payments:**

**8.10 Action by the Agency:** In order to obtain any Department funds, the Agency shall file with the Department of Transportation, District SIX Public Transportation Office 1000 NW 111th AVE #6114, MIAMI, FL, 33172-5800 its requisition on a form or forms prescribed by the Department, and any other data pertaining to the project account (as defined in paragraph 7.10 hereof) to justify and support the payment requisitions.

**8.11** Invoices for fees or other compensation for services or expenses shall be submitted in detail sufficient for a proper preaudit and postaudit thereof.

**8.12** Invoices for any travel expenses shall be submitted in accordance with Chapter 112.061, F.S. The Department may establish rates lower than the maximum provided in Chapter 112.061, F.S.

**8.13** For real property acquired, submit;

- (1) the date the Agency acquired the real property,
- (2) a statement by the Agency certifying that the Agency has acquired said real property, and actual consideration paid for real property.
- (3) a statement by the Agency certifying that the appraisal and acquisition of the real property together with any attendant relocation of occupants was accomplished in compliance with all federal laws, rules and procedures required by any federal oversight agency and with all state laws, rules and procedures that may apply to the Agency acquiring the real property.

**8.20 The Department's Obligations:** Subject to other provisions hereof, the Department will honor such requisitions in amounts and at times deemed by the Department to be proper to ensure the carrying out of the project and payment of the eligible costs. However, notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Department may elect by notice in writing not to make a payment on the project if:

**8.21 Misrepresentation:** The Agency shall have made misrepresentation of a material nature in its application, or any supplement thereto or amendment thereof, or in or with respect to any document or data furnished therewith or pursuant hereto;

**8.22 Litigation:** There is then pending litigation with respect to the performance by the Agency of any of its duties or obligations which may jeopardize or adversely affect the project, the Agreement, or payments to the project;

**8.23 Approval by Department:** The Agency shall have taken any action pertaining to the project which, under this agreement, requires the approval of the Department or has made related expenditures or incurred related obligations without having been advised by the Department that same are approved;

**8.24 Conflict of Interests:** There has been any violation of the conflict of interest provisions contained herein; or

**8.25 Default:** The Agency has been determined by the Department to be in default under any of the provisions of the Agreement.

**8.26 Federal Participation (If Applicable):** Any federal agency providing federal financial assistance to the project suspends or terminates federal financial assistance to the project. In the event of suspension or termination of federal financial assistance, the Agency will reimburse the Department for all disallowed costs.

**8.30 Disallowed Costs:** In determining the amount of the payment, the Department will exclude all projects costs incurred by the Agency prior to the effective date of this Agreement, costs which are not provided for in the latest approved budget for the project, and costs attributable to goods or services received under a contract or other arrangements which have not been approved in writing by the Department.

**8.40 Payment Offset:** If, after project completion, any claim is made by the Department resulting from an audit or for work or services performed pursuant to this agreement, the Department may offset such amount from payments due for work or services done under any public transportation joint participation agreement which it has with the Agency owing such amount if, upon demand, payment of the amount is not made within sixty (60) days to the Department. Offsetting amounts shall not be considered a breach of contract by the Department.

#### **9.00 Termination or Suspension of Project:**

**9.10 Termination or Suspension Generally:** If the Agency abandons or, before completion, finally discontinues the project; or if, by reason of any of the events or conditions set forth in paragraphs 8.21 to 8.26 inclusive, or for any other reason, the commencement, prosecution, or timely completion of the project by the Agency is rendered improbable, infeasible, impossible, or illegal, the Department will, by written notice to the Agency, suspend any or all of its obligations under this Agreement until such time as the event or condition resulting in such suspension has ceased or been corrected, or the Department may terminate any or all of its obligations under this Agreement.

**9.11 Action Subsequent to Notice of Termination or Suspension.** Upon receipt of any final termination or suspension notice under this paragraph, the Agency shall proceed promptly to carry out the actions required therein which may include any or all of the following: (1) necessary action to terminate or suspend, as the case may be, project activities and contracts and such other action as may be required or desirable to keep to the minimum the costs upon the basis of which the financing is to be computed; (2) furnish a statement of the project activities and contracts, and other undertakings the cost of which are otherwise includable as project costs; and (3) remit to the Department such portion of the financing and any advance payment previously received as is determined by the Department to be due under the provisions of the Agreement. The termination or suspension shall be carried out in conformity with the latest schedule, plan, and budget as approved by the Department or upon the basis of terms and conditions imposed by the Department upon the failure of the Agency to furnish the schedule, plan, and budget within a reasonable time. The approval of a remittance by the Agency or the closing out of federal financial participation in the project shall not constitute a waiver of any claim which the Department may otherwise have arising out of this Agreement.

**9.12** The Department reserves the right to unilaterally cancel this Agreement for refusal by the contractor or Agency to allow public access to all documents, papers, letters, or other material subject to the provisions of Chapter 119, F.S. and made or received in conjunction with this Agreement.

**10.00 Remission of Project Account Upon Completion of Project:** Upon completion of the project, and after payment, provision for payment, or reimbursement of all project costs payable from the project account is made, the Agency shall remit to the Department its share of any unexpended balance in the project account.

**11.00 Audit and Inspection:** The Agency shall permit, and shall require its contractors to permit, the Department's authorized representatives to inspect all work, materials, payrolls, records; and to audit the books, records and accounts pertaining to the financing and development of the project.

#### **12.00 Contracts of the Agency:**

**12.10 Third Party Agreements:** Except as otherwise authorized in writing by the Department, the Agency shall not execute any contract or obligate itself in any manner requiring the disbursement of Department joint participation funds, including consultant, construction or purchase of commodities contracts or amendments thereto, with any third party with respect to the project without the written approval of the Department. Failure to obtain such approval shall be sufficient cause for nonpayment by the Department as provided in paragraph 8.23. The Department specifically reserves unto itself the right to review the qualifications of any consultant or contractor and to approve or disapprove the employment of the same.

**12.20 Compliance with Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act:** It is understood and agreed by the parties hereto that participation by the Department in a project with an Agency, where said project involves a consultant contract for engineering, architecture or surveying services, is contingent on the Agency complying in full with provisions of Chapter 287, F.S., Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act. At the discretion of the Department, the Agency will involve the Department in the Consultant Selection Process for all contracts. In all cases, the Agency's Attorney shall certify to the Department that selection has been accomplished in compliance with the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act.

**12.30 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Policy and Obligation:**

**12.31 DBE Policy:** It is the policy of the Department that disadvantaged business enterprises as defined in 49 CFR Part 26, as amended, shall have the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts financed in whole or in part with Department funds under this Agreement. The DBE requirements of 49 CFR Part 26, as amended, apply to this Agreement.

**12.32 DBE Obligation:** The Agency and its contractors agree to ensure that Disadvantaged Business Enterprises as defined in 49 CFR Part 26, as amended, have the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts and this Agreement. In this regard, all recipients, and contractors shall take all necessary and reasonable steps in accordance with 49 CFR Part 26, as amended, to ensure that the Disadvantaged Business Enterprises have the maximum opportunity to compete for and perform contracts. Grantees, recipients and their contractors shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin or sex in the award and performance of Department assisted contracts.


**13.00 Restrictions, Prohibitions, Controls, and Labor Provisions:**

**13.10 Equal Employment Opportunity:** In connection with the carrying out of any project, the Agency shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, age, creed, color, sex or national origin. The Agency will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, age, creed, color, sex, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: Employment upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Agency shall insert the foregoing provision modified only to show the particular contractual relationship in all its contracts in connection with the development or operation of the project, except contracts for standard commercial supplies or raw materials, and shall require all such contractors to insert a similar provision in all subcontracts, except subcontracts for standard commercial supplies or raw materials. When the project involves installation, construction, demolition, removal, site improvement, or similar work, the Agency shall post, in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment for project work, notices to be provided by the Department setting forth the provisions of the nondiscrimination clause.

**13.20 Title VI - Civil Rights Act of 1964:** Execution of this Joint Participation Agreement constitutes a certification that the Agency will comply with all the requirements imposed by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d, et. seq.), the Regulations of the Federal Department of Transportation issued thereunder, and the assurance by the Agency pursuant thereto.

**13.30 Title VIII - Civil Rights Act of 1968:** Execution of this Joint Participation Agreement constitutes a certification that the Agency will comply with all the requirements imposed by Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, 42 USC 3601, et seq., which among other things, prohibits discrimination in housing on the basis of race, color, national origin, creed, sex, and age.

**13.40 Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA):** Execution of this Joint Participation Agreement constitutes a certification that the Agency will comply with all the requirements imposed by the ADA (42 U.S.C. 12102, et. seq.), the regulations of the federal government issued thereunder, and the assurance by the Agency pursuant thereto.



**13.50 Prohibited Interests:** Neither the Agency nor any of its contractors or their subcontractors shall enter into any contract, subcontract, or arrangement in connection with the project or any property included or planned to be included in the project, in which any member, officer, or employee of the Agency during his tenure or for two years thereafter has any interest, direct or indirect. If any such present or former member, officer, or employee involuntarily acquires or had acquired prior to the beginning of his tenure any such interest, and if such interest is immediately disclosed to the Agency, the Agency with prior approval of the Department, may waive the prohibition contained in this subsection: Provided, that any such present member, officer or employee shall not participate in any action by the Agency relating to such contract, subcontract, or arrangement. The Agency shall insert in all contracts entered into in connection with the project or any property included or planned to be included in any project, and shall require its contractors to insert in each of their subcontracts, the following provision:

"No member, officer, or employee of the Agency during his tenure or for two years thereafter shall have any interest, direct or indirect, in this contract or the proceeds thereof."

The provisions of this subsection shall not be applicable to any agreement between the Agency and its fiscal depositories, or to any agreement for utility services the rates for which are fixed or controlled by a Governmental agency.

**13.60 Interest of Members of, or Delegates to, Congress:** No member or delegate to the Congress of the United States shall be admitted to any share or part of the Agreement or any benefit arising therefrom.

#### **14.00 Miscellaneous Provisions:**

**14.10 Environmental Pollution:** Execution of this Joint Participation Agreement constitutes a certification by the Agency that the project will be carried out in conformance with all applicable environmental regulations including the securing of any applicable permits. The Agency will be solely responsible for any liability in the event of non-compliance with applicable environmental regulations, including the securing of any applicable permits, and will reimburse the Department for any loss incurred in connection therewith.

**14.20 Department Not Obligated to Third Parties:** The Department shall not be obligated or liable hereunder to any party other than the Agency.

**14.30 When Rights and Remedies Not Waived:** In no event shall the making by the Department of any payment to the Agency constitute or be construed as a waiver by the Department of any breach of covenant or any default which may then exist, on the part of the Agency, and the making of such payment by the Department while any such breach or default shall exist shall in no way impair or prejudice any right or remedy available to the Department with respect to such breach or default.

**14.40 How Agreement Is Affected by Provisions Being Held Invalid:** If any provision of this Agreement is held invalid, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected. In such an instance the remainder would then continue to conform to the terms and requirements of applicable law.

**14.50 Bonus or Commission:** By execution of the Agreement the Agency represents that it has not paid and, also, agrees not to pay, any bonus or commission for the purpose of obtaining an approval of its application for the financing hereunder.

**14.60 State or Territorial Law:** Nothing in the Agreement shall require the Agency to observe or enforce compliance with any provision thereof, perform any other act or do any other thing in contravention of any applicable State law: Provided, that if any of the provisions of the Agreement violate any applicable State law, the Agency will at once notify the Department in writing in order that appropriate changes and modifications may be made by the Department and the Agency to the end that the Agency may proceed as soon as possible with the project.

**14.70 Use and Maintenance of Project Facilities and Equipment:** The Agency agrees that the project facilities and equipment will be used by the Agency to provide or support public transportation for the period of the useful life of such facilities and equipment as determined in accordance with general accounting principles and approved by the Department. The Agency further agrees to maintain the project facilities and equipment in good working order for the useful life of said facilities or equipment.

**14.71 Property Records:** The Agency agrees to maintain property records, conduct physical inventories and develop control systems as required by 49 CFR Part 18, when applicable.

**14.80 Disposal of Project Facilities or Equipment:** If the Agency disposes of any project facility or equipment during its useful life for any purpose except its replacement with like facility or equipment for public transportation use, the Agency will comply with the terms of 49 CFR Part 18 relating to property management standards. The Agency agrees to remit to the Department a proportional amount of the proceeds from the disposal of the facility or equipment. Said proportional amount shall be determined on the basis of the ratio of the Department financing of the facility or equipment as provided in this Agreement.

**14.90 Contractual Indemnity:** To the extent provided by law, the Agency shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Department and all of its officers, agents, and employees from any claim, loss, damage, cost, charge, or expense arising out of any act, error, omission, or negligent act by the Agency, its agents, or employees, during the performance of the Agreement, except that neither the Agency, its agents, or its employees will be liable under this paragraph for any claim, loss, damage, cost, charge, or expense arising out of any act, error, omission, or negligent act by the Department or any of its officers, agents, or employees during the performance of the Agreement.

When the Department receives a notice of claim for damages that may have been caused by the Agency in the performance of services required under this Agreement, the Department will immediately forward the claim to the Agency. The Agency and the Department will evaluate the claim and report their findings to each other within fourteen (14) working days and will jointly discuss options in defending the claim. After reviewing the claim, the Department will determine whether to require the participation of the Agency in the defense of the claim or to require that the Agency defend the Department in such claim as described in this section. The Department's failure to promptly notify the Agency of a claim shall not act as a waiver of any right herein to require the participation in or defense of the claim by Agency. The Department and the Agency will each pay its own expenses for the evaluation, settlement negotiations, and trial, if any. However, if only one party participates in the defense of the claim at trial, that party is responsible for all expenses at trial.

**15.00 Plans and Specifications:** In the event that this Agreement involves the purchasing of capital equipment or the constructing and equipping of facilities, the Agency shall submit to the Department for approval all appropriate plans and specifications covering the project. The Department will review all plans and specifications and will issue to the Agency written approval with any approved portions of the project and comments or recommendations concerning any remainder of the project deemed appropriate. After resolution of these comments and recommendations to the Department's satisfaction, the Department will issue to the Agency written approval with said remainder of the project. Failure to obtain this written approval shall be sufficient cause for nonpayment by the Department as provided in paragraph 8.23.

**16.00 Project Completion, Agency Certification:** The Agency will certify in writing on or attached to the final invoice, that the project was completed in accordance with applicable plans and specifications, is in place on the Agency facility, that adequate title is in the Agency and that the project is accepted by the Agency as suitable for the intended purpose.

## **17.00 Appropriation of Funds:**

**17.10** The State of Florida's performance and obligation to pay under this Agreement is contingent upon an annual appropriation by the Legislature.

**17.20 Multi-Year Commitment:** In the event this Agreement is in excess of \$25,000 and has a term for a period of more than one year, the provisions of Chapter 339.135(6)(a), F.S., are hereby incorporated: "(a) The Department, during any fiscal year, shall not expend money, incur any liability, or enter into any contract which, by its terms involves the expenditure of money in excess of the amounts budgeted as available for expenditure during such fiscal year. Any contract, verbal or written, made in violation of this subsection is null and void, and no money may be paid on such contract. The Department shall require a statement from the comptroller of the Department that funds are available prior to entering into any such contract or other binding commitment of funds. Nothing herein contained shall prevent the making of contracts for periods exceeding 1 year, but any contract so made shall be executory only for the value of the services to be rendered or agreed to be paid for in succeeding fiscal years; and this paragraph shall be incorporated verbatim in all contracts of the Department which are for an amount in excess of 25,000 dollars and which have a term for a period of more than 1 year."

**18.00 Expiration of Agreement:** The Agency agrees to complete the project on or before 06/30/2007. If the Agency does not complete the project within this time period, this Agreement will expire unless an extension of the time period is requested by the Agency and granted in writing by the District Secretary or Designee. Expiration of this Agreement will be considered termination of the project and the procedure established in paragraph 9.00 of this Agreement shall be initiated.

**18.10 Final Invoice:** The Agency must submit the final invoice on this project to the Department within 120 days after the expiration of this Agreement. Invoices submitted after the 120 day time period will not be paid.

**19.00 Agreement Format:** All words used herein in the singular form shall extend to and include the plural. All words used in the plural form shall extend to and include the singular. All words used in any gender shall extend to and include all genders.

**20.00 Execution of Agreement:** This Agreement may be simultaneously executed in a minimum of two counterparts, each of which so executed shall be deemed to be an original, and such counterparts together shall constitute one in the same instrument.

## **21.00 Restrictions on Lobbying:**

**21.10 Federal:** The Agency agrees that no federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid by or on behalf of the Agency, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence any officer or employee of any federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal grant, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan or cooperative agreement.

If any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid by the Agency to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Joint Participation Agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

The Agency shall require that the language of this section be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

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**21.20 State:** No funds received pursuant to this contract may be expended for lobbying the Legislature or a state agency.

**22.00 Vendors Rights:** Vendors (in this document identified as Agency) providing goods and services to the Department should be aware of the following time frames. Upon receipt, the Department has five (5) working days to inspect and approve the goods and services unless the bid specifications, purchase order or contract specifies otherwise. The Department has 20 days to deliver a request for payment (voucher) to the Department of Financial Services. The 20 days are measured from the latter of the date the invoice is received or the goods or services are received, inspected and approved.

If a payment is not available within 40 days after receipt of the invoice and receipt, inspection and approval of goods and services, a separate interest penalty in accordance with Section 215.422(3)(b), F.S. will be due and payable, in addition to the invoice amount to the Agency. The interest penalty provision applies after a 35 day time period to health care providers, as defined by rule. Interest penalties of less than one (1) dollar will not be enforced unless the Agency requests payment. Invoices which have to be returned to an Agency because of vendor preparation errors will result in a delay in the payment. The invoice payment requirements do not start until a properly completed invoice is provided to the Department.

A Vendor Ombudsman has been established within the Department of Financial Services. The duties of this individual include acting as an advocate for Agencies who may be experiencing problems in obtaining timely payment(s) from the Department. The Vendor Ombudsman may be contacted at (850)410-9724 or by calling the Department of Financial Services Hotline, 1-800-848-3792.

**23.00 Public Entity Crime:** Pursuant to 287.133(3)(a) F.S. the following is applicable to this agreement. 287.133(2)(a) "A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in s. 287.017, F.S. for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list."

**24.00 Discrimination:** An entity or affiliate who has been placed on the discriminatory vendor list may not submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity.



Financial Project No. 41805118401

Contract No. ANU28

Agreement Date \_\_\_\_\_

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused these presents be executed, the day and year first above written.

AGENCY

FDOT

MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT AGENCY  
AGENCY NAME

See attached Encumbrance Form for date of Funding  
Approval by Comptroller

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SIGNATORY (PRINTED OR TYPED)

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LEGAL REVIEW  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
FUNDS APPROVAL

Contract #ANU28 Contract Type: AH Method of Procurement: G  
Vendor Name: MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT AGENCY  
Vendor ID: VF596000573129  
Beginning date of this Agmt: 05/01/05  
Ending date of this Agmt: 06/30/07

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Description:  
MDTA's Dade-Monroe Express service from Florida City in Dade  
County serving points south to Marathon in Monroe County

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ORG-CODE \*EO \*OBJECT \*AMOUNT \*FIN PROJECT \*FCT \*CFDA  
(FISCAL YEAR) \*BUDGET ENTITY \*CATEGORY/CAT YEAR  
AMENDMENT ID \*SEQ. \*USER ASSIGNED ID \*ENC LINE(6S)/STATUS

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Action: ORIGINAL Funds have been: APPROVED

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TOTAL AMOUNT: \*\$ 100,000.00 \*

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FUNDS APPROVED/REVIEWED FOR ROBIN M. NAITOVE, CPA, COMPTROLLER  
DATE: 12/23/2004

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FINANCIAL PROJECT NO. \_\_41805118401

CSFA 55007

CONTRACT NO. \_\_ANU28

**EXHIBIT "A"**  
**PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

This exhibit forms an integral part of that certain Joint Participation Agreement between the State of Florida Department of Transportation and

MIAMI DADE TRANSIT AGENCY  
111 NW FIRST STREET, SUITE 910, MIAMI, FL 33128

dated \_\_\_\_\_.

**PROJECT LOCATION:**

Miami-Dade County and Monroe County, Florida

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

Provide Department Commuter Assistance Program funding assistance for the operation of the Dade-Monroe Express transit service seven days per week between Florida City and Marathon along US-1.

**SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS BY AGENCY:**

The audit report(s) required in paragraph 7.60 of the Agreement shall include a schedule of project assistance that will reflect the Department's contract number, Financial Project Number and the Federal Identification number, where applicable, and the amount of state funding action (receipt and disbursement of funds) and any federal or local funding action and the funding action from any other source with respect to the project.

**SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS BY DEPARTMENT: None**

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**EXHIBIT "B"**  
**PROJECT BUDGET**

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dated \_\_\_\_\_.

I. PROJECT COST:

Dade-Monroe Express Service Operations Support \$200,000

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TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$200,000

II. PARTICIPATION:

Maximum Federal Participation  
FTA, FAA

Agency Participation  
In-Kind

Cash (50%) \$100,000

Other

Maximum Department Participation,  
Primary

(DS)(DDR)(DIM)(PORT)(TOP) (50%) or \$100,000

Federal Reimbursable (DU)(CM)(DFTA or \$

Local Reimbursable (DL) ( ) % or \$

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TOTAL PROJECT COST \$200,000

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**EXHIBIT "C"**  
**(GENERAL - with Safety Requirements)**

This exhibit forms an integral part of that certain Joint Participation Agreement between the State of Florida, Department of Transportation and \_\_\_\_\_  
MIAMI DADE TRANSIT AGENCY  
111 NW FIRST STREET, SUITE 910, MIAMI, FL 33128

dated \_\_\_\_\_.

**Safety Requirements**

- XX Bus Transit System - In accordance with Florida Statute 341.061, and Rule Chapter 14-90, Florida Administrative Code, the Agency shall submit, and the Department shall have on file, an annual safety certification that the Agency has adopted and is complying with its adopted System Safety Program Plan pursuant to Rule Chapter 14-90 and has performed annual safety inspections of all buses operated.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fixed Guideway System - (established) In accordance with Florida Statute 341.061, the Agency shall submit, and the Department shall have on file, annual certification by the Agency of compliance with its System Safety Program Plan, pursuant to Rule Chapter 14-55.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fixed Guideway System - (new) In accordance with Florida Statute 341.061, the Agency shall submit a certification attesting to the adoption of a System Safety Program Plan pursuant to Rule Chapter 14-55. Prior to beginning passenger service operations, the Agency shall submit a certification to the Department that the system is safe for passenger service.

**Other Requirements**

The Agency must submit an invoice to the Department no later than one hundred and twenty days (120) after the period of services covered by said invoice. Failure to submit invoice in a timely manner may result in non-payment by the Department.

The Agency shall obtain prior written concurrence from the Department for any third party purchases exceeding \$10,000. Failure to obtain prior concurrence may result in non-payment by the Department.

This project shall be conducted in accordance with the procedure for the Department's Commuter Assistance Program. South Florida Commuter Services, the regional rideshare organization which is a service of the Department, is available to the Agency for assistance in meeting the Commuter Assistance Program requirements.

A Department approved Commuter Assistance Work Plan is required for the Agency to receive reimbursement from the Department. The Work Plan identifies project's commuter assistance goals and objectives, other project information, and provides a basis for evaluating project progress. Agency can obtain technical assistance from South Florida Commuter Services to prepare the Work Plan.

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**EXHIBIT "C" (CONT.)**  
**(GENERAL - with Safety Requirements)**

Agency shall provide District Office with quarterly progress reports in accordance with reporting requirements for the Commuter Assistance Program. These reports shall also include ridership and progress to achieving project Service Goals and objectives. Other reporting and survey activities shall be coordinated with South Florida Commuter Services. Failure to provide quarterly reports may delay invoice payments.

Agency shall submit an annual report on or before April 1 of each year summarizing Agency activities for previous work plan year. This report will be included in the District's annual submission to Central Office reporting Commuter Assistance Program results.

Agency shall provide the Department with a final report for the project prior to submission of the final invoice for the project. The final report will address the success of the project based on the criteria established at the beginning of the project and the decision to continue or not continue the project. The final report must be completed and accepted before final payment will be processed.

Department funding is provided solely for service provision by Agency or a private contractor. Eligible costs include bus operations and vehicle maintenance. Also up to 5% of total project cost may be spent on outreach activities and marketing materials to promote the service. No other costs incurred by the Agency shall be reimbursed under this Agreement

The Service Goals for this project include:

1. Provide cost effective commuter transit service between Florida City and points along the Florida Keys south to Marathon.
2. Provide access to Miami Dade County residents to employment locations in the northern and middle Florida Keys in support of the Welfare to Work program.
3. Provide an alternative transportation mode to Miami Dade County residents working in Monroe County, thereby reducing single occupant vehicle use and increasing person throughput by economically disadvantaged residents lacking automobiles.

The Service Criteria for Success include the following measurements:

1. Obtain at least half the average boardings per revenue hour of comparable routes in the MDTA system.
2. Subsidy per passenger shall be no more than twice that of comparable routes in the MDTA system.

This project is based upon MDTA's project proposal dated 12/08/2004 and included in the Agreement by reference.

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